

### **DETAILED ACTION**

This action is responsive to communications: Amendment filed 16 Feb. 2010.

Claims 6-11 are pending. Claim 6 is an independent claim.

### ***Applicant's Response***

In Applicant's response dated 16 Feb. 2010. Applicant cancelled claims 1-5 and 12-16.

### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

An Examiner's Amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this Examiner's Amendment was given in a telephone interview with Scott Paul 04 May 2010.

### **Amendments to the claims:**

The application has been amended as follows:

*In the claims:*

6. (Currently Amended) A system for indicating input focus in a portal environment, the system comprising:

a processor;

a focused style sheet and an unfocused style sheet;

a portal defining a plurality of portlets, said portlets comprising a single focused portlet configured for rendering according to said focused style sheet, and a remaining set of unfocused portlets configured for rendering according to said unfocused style sheet;

a global indicator disposed within said portal specifying said single focused portlet; and,

a global script disposed within said portal programmed to change said global indicator to specify a newly focused portlet when said newly focused portlet acquires input focus from said single focused portlet, to re-render said newly focused portlet in said portal according to said focused style sheet and to re-render said single focused portlet in said portal according to said unfocused style sheet.

All remaining claims remain as presented by applicant on 16 Feb. 2010.

***Reasons for Allowance***

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: See Board Decision dated 06 Jan. 2010, page 18.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

### ***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JAMES J. DEBROW whose telephone number is (571)272-5768. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00-5:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Doug Hutton can be reached on 571-272-4137. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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